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1. Eastbound transports which moved through Frankfurt/Oder between 1 and 12 December and on 31 December 1948 (figures for 13-30) December not available):

No. of Trains	No. of Cars	Description of Transports
29	1,326	Unspecified (closed cars)
<u>3.</u>	49	Toys, articles made of wood*
١.	54	Cellulose
3	141	Large boxes of unspecified content
Ž	108	Kitchenwares (nots, pails, etc)*
1 3 2 1 2 1 1 1	4.4	Candles, soan*
2	8 <b>9</b>	Leather goods, textiles
3	129	Textiles
1	42	Curtain materials, blankets
1.	54	Glassware and china
1	42	Railroad tank cars, guarded
1	39	Railroad tank cars, containing grain
		alcohol
1	41	Timber (logs)
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1	42	Freight cars, new (Russian gauge and
	•	Pussian inscriptions)
Ļ	39 - 8 <b>9</b>	Mine cars, new
2 1 1 1	* 8 <b>9</b>	Coal
1	40	RR wheels and axles
· 1	44	27 shall locomotives, new
1	47	Scrap iron
1.	41	Machine parts
1	42	Barracks parts and lumber
Ą.	130	Military personnel and dependents
		returning to Russia, approximately
		3,650 persons, much luggage

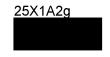
<sup>\*</sup> Transports marked by an asterisk consisted of closed cars whose contents are described only in so far as they could be reliably determined.

The Russian women and dependents who traveled with the military transports came from all parts of the eastern zone.

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Russian railroad workers started in the beginning of December to lay new tracks along the freight and shunting station in Frankfurt/Oder.

2. During the same period, i.e., between 1 and 12 December and on 31 December, 55 empty trains returned from Russia and cassed through Frankfurt/Oder on their way to Germany. In addition the following westbound transports were observed moving through Frankfurt/Oder:

No. of Trains	No. of Cars	Description of Transports
1	<b>44</b> 30	Russian trucks Young soldiers, approximately 700.
4	118	Military personnel returning from furlough in Russia, approximately
4	186	3,400 men Prisoners of war, approximately 4,500 men

3. During December 1948, the following transports passed through Küstrin-Kietz bound for Insterburg, except where otherwise specified:

No of Trains	No. of Cars	Description of Transports
12 13 46 152 1 155 1 11 12 18 1	571 630 205 782 48 254 80 10 48 244 1,225 50 40 20 35 10 102 72 380 52	Sugar Lumber Timber for sines Coal* Briquettes (destination Königsberg) Briquettes Machine parts, used 10 motorboats with cabins, apparently pleasure boats Railroad tracks Barracks marts, wood Cement Cement (der*Mation Königsberg) 40 multiple rocket launchers (allegedly destined for the Far East) Anti-tank munitions in boxes Large boilers for factories Machines and machine parts Roofing tiles and marer, also lumber Trucks, new Potash (destination Königsberg)

- \* The final destination of most coal trains, although directed first to Insterburg, appears to be Königsberg.
- 4. During the worth of December, 84 earty trains returned from the east and passed fhrough Küstrin-Kietz on their way to Germany.

